REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the careful review of this application. Claim 24 and 51 were amended to clarify aspects of the present invention. Claim 25 was canceled without prejudice. Claims 1-23 were previously canceled. New claims 59-66 were introduced for consideration. No new matter was added. Therefore, claims 24, 26-36 and 51-66 remain pending in this application. Additional remarks regarding the rejections of the claims from the December 9, 2004 Office Action can be found in the response filed on April 6, 2005.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. The amendment was made to expedite the prosecution of this application. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections of the amended claims and reserves the right to re-introduce them and claims of an equivalent scope in a continuation application.

If the Examiner believes that a conference would be of value in expediting the prosecution of this application, he is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned counsel at the number set out below.

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